THE MORGANS

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September 14, 2011

Georgia Board of Pardons and Paroles
James E. Donald, Chairman
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SE
Suite 458, Balcony Level, East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334-4909

Attn: Chairman, James E. Donald

Dear Chairman Donald and Members of the Board:

In an Order Suspending the Execution of Sentence of Death, issued on July 16, 2007 with regard to Mr. Troy Davis' case, you stated, "The members of the Georgia Board of Pardons and Paroles will not allow an execution to proceed in this State unless and until its members are convinced that there is no doubt as to the guilt of the accused." I commend you on the extraordinary wisdom you've demonstrated by your commitment to abide by this strong moral statement. Your role as the final 'check and balance' on the judicial system requires at least this much caution, if we are to prevent the State of Georgia from the possibility of making an irreversible and inexcusable error. The scheduled execution of Mr. Davis by the State of Georgia on September 21, 2011 has again placed us on the precipice of making this precise irreversible error.

Because there remains "reasonable doubt"; in fact, because there remains overwhelming doubt that Mr. Troy Davis is the one who murdered Officer Mark MacPhail [My prayers have been offered for his family.] I would like to offer to the Board of Pardons and Paroles a fail-proof opportunity to spare the life of a person, who most clearly meets the moral standard, regarding guilt or innocence, which you've set for yourselves. Because, I have sinned and fallen short of God's expectations of me, and to avoid the risk of executing an innocent man, I respectfully offer to you the following alternative.

I hereby request that you take appropriate and immediate steps to prevent the execution of Troy Davis, currently scheduled for September 21, 2011.

If you are not willing to do so and/or if you are not willing to reconsider his case, **I, MARVIN L. MORGAN, DO HEREBY REQUEST THAT YOU AUTHORIZE THE STATE OF GEORGIA TO TAKE MY LIFE INSTEAD OF THAT OF TROY DAVIS, AND ALLOW TROY TO BE SET FREE.** I AM AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY TO BE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY SO THIS REQUEST MAY BE IMPLEMENTED.

Thank you very much for your positive consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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And Past National Moderator, United Church of Christ's General Synod
[I do hereby certify that I am of sound mind and am fully aware of the nature and full implications of this request.]

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